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for sale, is required to give the producer from whom the collecting person collected an assessment written evidence of payment of the Beef Promotion and Research Assessments. Such written evidence serving as a receipt shall contain the following information:

- (a) Name and address of the collecting person.
- (b) Name of producer who paid assessment.
 - (c) Number of head of cattle sold.
- (d) Total assessments paid by the producer.
 - (e) Date.

§ 1260.314 Certification of non-producer status for certain transactions.

- (a) The assessment levied on each head of cattle sold shall not apply to cattle owned by a person:
- (1) If the person certifies that the person's only share in the proceeds of a sale of cattle, beef, or beef products is a sales commission, handling fee or other service fee: or
 - (2) If the person:
- (i) Certifies that the person acquired ownership of cattle to facilitate the transfer of ownership of such cattle from the seller to a third party,
- (ii) Establishes that such cattle were resold not later than 10 days from the date on which the person acquired ownership; and
- (iii) Certifies that the assessment levied upon the person from whom the person purchased the cattle, if an assessment was due, has been collected and has been remitted, or will be remitted in a timely fashion.
- (b) Each person seeking non-producer status pursuant to §1260.116 shall provide the collecting person, on a form approved by the Board and the Secretary, with a Statement of Certification of Non-Producer Status at the time the collecting person makes payment to the seller of cattle, in lieu of the assessment that would otherwise be due, except as provided for in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section.
- (c) When the seller of cattle is not physically present during a sales transaction in which the seller claims non-producer status, such seller shall deliver to the collecting person an origi-

nal Statement of Certification of Non-Producer Status within 10 business days of the date the collecting person makes payment to the seller of the cattle.

- (d) If the collecting person is a brand inspector, as provided for in §1260.311, the seller of cattle claiming non-producer status shall provide to the brand inspector at the time the physical brand inspection is completed, in lieu of the assessment that would otherwise be due, either: a Statement of Certification of Non-Producer Status or a valid brand inspection certificate which shows collection of the assessment by a brand inspector in a transaction which took place not more than 10 days prior to the sale of the cattle.
- (e) A copy of the Statement of Certification of Non-Producer Status shall be forwarded, upon request, by the collecting person to the qualified State beef council or the Cattlemen's Board.

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§ 1260.315 Qualified State Beef Councils.

The following State beef promotion entities have been certified by the Board as qualified State beef councils:

Alabama Cattlemen's Association Arizona Beef Council Arkansas Beef Council California Beef Council Colorado Beef Council Florida Beef Council, Inc. Georgia Beef Board, Inc. Idaho Beef Council Illinois Beef Council Indiana Beef Council Iowa Beef Cattle Producers Association Kansas Beef Council Kentucky Beef Cattle Association Louisiana Beef Industry Council Maryland Beef Council Michigan Beef Industry Commission Minnesota Beef Council Mississippi Cattle Industry Board Missouri Beef Industry Council Montana Beef Council Nebraska Beef Industry Development Board Nevada Beef Council New Mexico Beef Council New York Beef Industry Council North Carolina Cattlemen's Association North Dakota Beef Commission Ohio Beef Council Oklahoma Beef Commission Oregon Beef Council

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South Carolina Cattle and Beef Board South Dakota Beef Industry Council Tennessee Beef Industry Council Texas Beef Industry Council Utah Beef Council Vermont Beef Council Virginia Cattle Industry Board Washington State Beef Commission West Virginia Beef Industry Wisconsin Beef Council Wyoming Beef Council

§ 1260.316 Paperwork Reduction Act assigned number.

The information collection and recordkeeping requirements contained in this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB control number 0851–0152.

Subpart C [Reserved]

Subpart D—Beef Promotion and Research: Certification and Nomination Procedures for the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board

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§ 1260.500 General.

State organizations or associations shall be certified by the Secretary as provided for in the Beef Promotion and Research Act of 1985 to be eligible to make nominations of cattle producers to the Board. Additionally, where there is no eligible organization or association in a State, the Secretary may provide for nominations in the manner prescribed in this subpart. Organizations or associations determined by the Secretary to represent importers of cattle, beef, and beef products may submit nominations for membership on the Board in a manner prescribed by the Secretary in this subpart. The number of nominees required for each allotted position will be determined by the Secretary.

§ 1260.510 Definitions.

As used in this subpart:

Act means the Beef Promotion and Research Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 2901–2918).

Beef means the flesh of cattle.

Beef products means edible products produced in whole or in part from beef, exclusive of milk and milk products produced therefrom.

Board means the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board established under section 5(1) of the Act.

Cattle means live, domesticated bovine animals regardless of age.

Department means the United States Department of Agriculture.

Importer means a person who imports cattle, beef, or beef products from outside the United States.

Livestock and Seed Division means the Livestock and Seed Division of the Department's Agricultural Marketing Service.

Producer means a person who owns or acquires ownership of cattle, except that a person shall not be considered to be a producer if the person's only share in the proceeds of a sale of cattle or beef is a sales commission, handling fee, or other service fee.

Secretary means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, or any officer or employee of the Department to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in the Secretary's stead.

State means each of the 50 States.

Unit means a State or combination of States which has a total inventory of not less than 500,000 head of cattle; or importers.

§ 1260.520 Responsibility for administration of regulations.

The Livestock and Seed Division shall have the responsibility for administering the provisions of this subpart.

§ 1260.530 Certification of eligibility.

- (a) State organizations or associations: Requirements for certification. (1) To be eligible for certification to nominate producer members to the Board, State organizations or associations must meet all of the following criteria:
- (i) Total paid membership must be comprised of at least a majority of cattle producers or represent at least a